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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course.

☐ This communication is responsive to _____

☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are (-1)

☐ The drawings filed on _____ are acceptable.

☐ Acknowledgement is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d).

☐ All ☐ Some* ☐ None of the CERTIFIED copies of the priority documents have been

☐ received.

☐ received in Application No. (Series Code/Serial Number) _____

☐ received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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☐ Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL APPLICATION, PTO-152, which discloses that the oath or declaration is deficient. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION IS REQUIRED.

☒ Applicant MUST submit NEW FORMAL DRAWINGS

☐ because the originally filed drawings were declared by applicant to be informal.

☒ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948, attached hereto or to Paper No. _____

☐ including changes required by the proposed drawing correction filed on _____, which has been approved by the examiner.

☒ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment/Comment.

Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the reverse side of the drawings. The drawings should be filed as a separate paper with a transmittal letter addressed to the Official Draftsperson.

☐ Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

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Attachment(s)

☒ Notice of References Cited, PTO-892

☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s), PTO-1449, Paper No(s). _____

☒ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948

☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application, PTO-152

☒ Interview Summary, PTO-413

☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment

☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material

☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance



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APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	TOTAL CLAIMS	EXAMINER AND GROUP ART UNIT	DATE MAILED
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First Named Applicant	GIPSON, THOMAS C.			

TITLE OF INVENTION: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR INJECTION OF TURING INTO WELLS

ATTY'S DOCKET NO.	CLASS-SUBCLASS	BATCH NO.	APPLN. TYPE	SMALL ENTITY	FEE DUE	DATE DUE
3 P-335.5	166-384.000	H99	UTILITY	YES	\$660.00	11/18/98

THE APPLICATION IDENTIFIED ABOVE HAS BEEN EXAMINED AND IS ALLOWED FOR ISSUANCE AS A PATENT. PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS CLOSED.

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III. All communications regarding this application must give application number and batch number.

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1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Thomas E. Sisson on August 17, 1998.

2. The application has been amended as follows:

In page 8, line 2, "58" has been changed to -- 59 --.

3. The following changes to the drawings have been approved by the examiner and agreed upon by applicant:

In Figure 1, the rightmost occurrence of label "58", i.e. adjacent to label "40", will be changed to -- 59 -- upon filing of the formal drawings. In order to avoid abandonment of the application, applicant must make these above agreed upon drawing changes.

4. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

None of the references cited disclose an apparatus for injecting a coiled tubing into the earth's surface, as set forth in the combinations of elements of claims 1-10, particularly including the representative limitations in claim 1 of "a tubing storage spool removably mounted on said frame at said back end ...", "a mast pivotally mounted on said frame" and "an injector reel rotatably mounted on said mast ..." or the limitation in claim 10 or "a multiplicity hold down

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mechanism ... comprising: a bracket ... having an adjustment member for varying the pressure of a roller against said coiled tubing ... attached to said injector reel”.

Also, none of the cited references disclose a method of retrieving a length of coiled tubing and storing said tubing on a tubing storage spool, as called for in claim 11, particularly including the step of “routing said tubing off of said reel onto said tubing storage spool ... mounted on a cradle vertically and horizontally adjustable to accept varying spool widths and diameters”.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to George Suchfield whose telephone number is (703) 308-2152.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Tamara Graysay, can be reached on (703) 308-2144. The fax phone number for this Group is (703) 305-3597 or (703) 305-3598.

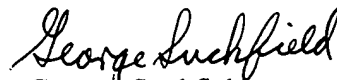
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Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-2168.

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August 17, 1998


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